



State of California – The Natural Resources Agency  
DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION  
NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

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**FROM:** Department of Parks and Recreation  
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**PROJECT TITLE:** Bolsa Chica State Beach Visitor Center Interpretive Panel Displays

**LOCATION:** Bolsa Chica State Beach

**COUNTY:** Orange

**DESCRIPTION OF THE NATURE AND PURPOSE OF PROJECT:**

This project entails installing two (2) accessible low profile interpretive stands on the raised cement in front of the Bolsa Chica Headquarters building. The stands are being altered so that they will be accessible to all park visitors. The panels are angled for maximum visitor site and will not block the view of the park. The stands will be placed back to back in the middle of the raised cement that leads to the headquarters. Work will not impact and/or extend beyond the park boundary. DPR-approved standard project requirements have been incorporated into this project. A copy of these requirements may be obtained by submitting a request to the project Environmental Coordinator listed below.

**PUBLIC AGENCY APPROVING THE PROJECT:** California Department of Parks and Recreation

**NAME OF DIVISION OR DISTRICT CARRYING OUT THE PROJECT:** California Department of Parks and Recreation

**EXEMPT STATUS:**

- ☐ Declared Emergency (Section 15269(a))  
☐ Emergency Project (Section 15269(b) and (c))  
☐ Statutory Exemption  
☒ Categorical Exemption

**Class:** 3,11

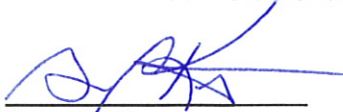
**Section:** 15303, 15311

**REASONS WHY PROJECT IS EXEMPT:** No potential for significant impacts to the environment is anticipated in compliance with Section 15300.2. If the project is implemented as indicated within the CDPR Project Evaluation Form including measures provided by CDPR staff, then it is exempt under CEQA §15303 – New Construction or Conversion of Small Structures and §15311 – Accessory Structures. The actions fall under the Departmental List of Exempt activities as established according to CEQA §15300.4 as:

- “Construction or installation of park facilities such as kiosks, restrooms, small parking lots, interpretive signing or panels...” (Class 3, Section 15303); and
- “Installation of signs” (Class 11, Section 15311)

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